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In U.S. Patent Application of
Anthony Minervini and Honorio S.
Luciano

Title: **PTC CIRCUIT PROTECTION
DEVICES**

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REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED AUGUST 13, 2001

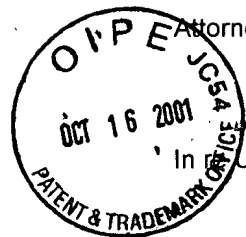
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Dear Sir:

This is a reply to the Final Office Action mailed August 13, 2001 with a shortened three month response period. Based on the amendments and remarks enclosed herein, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of all of the pending claims. In the event that the Examiner does not find all of the pending claims allowable, and since this reply is being submitted within two months of the mailing date of the Office Action, Applicants respectfully request the issuance of an advisory action.

This reply is being submitted in a form required under the amended rule 37 C.F.R. 1.121. Accordingly, THREE (3) sheets containing the marked-up claims corresponding to the substituted claims, is enclosed as Attachment A.

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 apply.

No additional fee for the Amendment is required, which has been calculated as shown below:

				Small Entity		Other Than Small Entity	
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee	Rate	Additional Fee
Total	34	- 37	= 0	x \$ 9	\$ 0	x \$ 18	\$ 0
Independent	6	- 6	= 0	x \$ 42	\$ 0	x \$ 84	\$ 0
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims				x \$ 140	\$ 0	x \$ 280	\$ 0
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE						\$ 0.00	

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fee deficiencies associated with this Amendment, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-0280. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

Respectfully submitted

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